The University of Southern Queensland

Course specification

Description: Professional Experience 2

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Academic group: FOEDU
Academic org: FOE004
Student contribution band: National Priority Teaching
ASCED code: 070101

STAFFING

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REQUISITES

Pre-requisite: Students must be enrolled in one of the following Programs: BEEC or BECS or BECH and have completed or currently enrolled in ECE2108 and ECE1101

RATIONALE

An awareness and understanding of the growth and development of young children as well as the contextual factors that influence them are essential for those working in early childhood settings. Early childhood educators who are cognizant of the diverse array of learning and development theories and are able to critically reflect on these are more likely to respond appropriately to young children. This Professional Experience will enable students to apply theories of child development, curriculum and play to the implementation of appropriate learning experiences in early childhood settings 0-4.

SYNOPSIS

This course takes a child study focus and requires students to utilise their skills of observation and interpretation as well as their knowledge of child development, curriculum and conducive learning environments. Students are encouraged to establish motivating and challenging play environments that are flexible, responsive to children taking into account consideration for ecological and educational factors. This course emphasises literacy correctness in all its forms. Students undertaking this course are required to complete 10 days of professional experience in an approved educational setting. IMPORTANT NOTE: Working with Children: State law in Queensland requires that all adults (including university students, pre-service educators, trainers, vocational teachers, industry educators) working with children under the age of 18, in the State of Queensland*, obtain approval before commencing such work. Many education courses include a practical component (professional
experience, project work, research, assessment etc.) that may require engagement with children under the age of 18. It is your responsibility to ensure that you possess a current suitability card (Blue Card) before commencing any practical components of this course. DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE WITH CHILDREN UNDER 18 UNLESS YOU POSSESS A CURRENT 'BLUE CARD'. For further information:
http://www.childcomm.qld.gov.au/employment/bluecard/informationSheets.html *If you are undertaking practical experience outside the State of Queensland, Australia you should check local requirements.

**OBJECTIVES**

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**TOPICS**

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**TEXT and MATERIALS required to be PURCHASED or ACCESSED:**

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**REFERENCE MATERIALS:**

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**STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS:**

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**ASSESSMENT DETAILS**

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**IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT INFORMATION**

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**ASSESSMENT NOTES**

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OTHER REQUIREMENTS

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